



Career and Technical Education Committee

Maine State Board of Education
Minutes of the May 12, 2014 Meeting

The Career and Technical Education Committee (CTE) held a meeting on Monday, May 12, 2014, at the Department of Education in Augusta. The following were present: Peter Geiger; Committee Chair Steven Pound; and Kristin Bishop by phone (Board Members); Margaret Harvey; and Donna Tiner (Department of Education) and Mary Becker, Secretary Associate, State Board of Education.

Call to Order

Peter Geiger called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM.

Approval of Minutes

MOTION by Kristin Bishop, seconded by Peter Geiger, and unanimously voted by those present to approve the April 7, 2014 minutes as written.

Annual George Briggs Grant Award – Donna Tiner

The CTE Committee oversees the George M. Briggs Award. It reviews proposals to make recommendations for the approval of programs to enhance career and technical education to the State Board of Education. The committee will make a recommendation to the full board to approve the \$10,000 George Briggs Seeds of Peace Partnership grant for the period of June 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 awarded to Maine Association of Career and Technical Education (MACTE) for support of secondary CTE in Maine and to approve the Annual \$30,000 George Briggs grant for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 awarded to Maine Administrators of Career and Technical Education (MACTE) for support of secondary CTE in Maine.

Don Cannan, MACTE Executive Director will be presenting the George Briggs grant awards to the full State Board of Education on May 14th.

Career and Technical Education Update – Meg Harvey

- **Chapter 115 Certification Law Change:** The summer and early fall of 2012 saw the State Board react to a directive from Public Law 635: LD 1858 “An Act to Ensure Effective Teaching and School Leadership” and establish an alternative pathways stakeholders group to review possible changes to Maine’s certification regulations. The group made recommendations to the certification examination process for Career and Technical Education (CTE) teachers. This will become effective on May 14, 2014. The content knowledge (Praxis II) exam

would be replaced by an industry credentials or industry-related exams. There will also be a revised Praxis II available. The pedagogical skills and knowledge assessment would be replaced by a series of four pedagogical courses. Also required (PLT) is a CTE orientation program for new teachers within the first year of employment. Teaching exceptional students in regular classroom course will remain in law as well as the pathways requirements. Transition language is included to allow those continuously certified under conditional certificates to continue under current rules but all new CTE teachers would fall under the new rules from May 14, 2014, forward. Maine education proposed and revised rules can be found at: www.maine.gov/doe/rule/changes/.

- **Memorandum of Understanding with the Maine Community College System:** Meg shared a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Maine Community College System (MCCS) and the Maine Department of Education. Enacted by the 125th Maine Legislature, LD 1865 requires the Maine Community College System to review the national industry or state certification standards used in secondary Career and Technical programs to determine the amount of college credit that will be awarded to the student for successful completion of the national industry standards or state certifications of a CTE program.
- **LD 1858 Budget Bill – April 2014:** Meg
“An Act to Achieve the Savings Required under Part F of the Biennial Budget and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2014 and June 30, 2015”

PART B

Sec. B-1. Appropriations and allocations. The following appropriations and allocations are made.

GENERAL FUND	2013-14	2014-15
All Other	\$0	\$300,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$300,000</u>

General Purpose Aid for Local Schools 0308

Initiative: Provides one-time funds for the 2nd year of the comprehensive early college programs.

GENERAL FUND	2013-14	2014-15
All Other	\$0	\$650,000
GENERAL FUND TOTAL	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$650,000</u>

Sec. C-4. 20-A MRSA §15681-A, sub-§4, as amended by PL 2013, c. 368, Pt. C, §10, is further amended to read:

4. Career and technical education costs. Career and technical education costs in the base year adjusted to the year prior to the allocation year. This subsection does not apply to the 2014-15 2015-16 funding year and thereafter; and

Sec. C-5. 20-A MRSA §15688-A, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 2013, c. 368, Pt. C, §12, is amended to read:

1. Career and technical education costs. Beginning in fiscal year 2014-15 2015-16, the allocation for career and technical education must be based upon a program driven model that considers components for direct instruction, central administration, supplies, operation and maintenance of plant, other student and staff support and equipment. Monthly payments must be made directly to school administrative units with career and technical education centers and directly to career and technical education regions. If a school administrative unit with a career and technical education center or a career and technical education region has any unexpended funds at the end of the fiscal year, these funds must be carried forward for the purposes of career and technical education.

- **Fire Science Certification:** Meg shared a report that has been compiled to present the growing number of CTE students enrolled in Fire Science/Public Safety type programs who are not currently members of local fire departments. According to Maine law certification, testing may be awarded to personnel of municipal and incorporated volunteer fire departments. The committee has collected data to see if this law will inhibit CTE students from having the opportunity to earn certification in the future if they are not affiliated with an area department. A copy of the report and law is available in the meeting file.

Career and Technical Education Opinion Survey Update – Kristin Bishop

Kristin will be presenting her survey results to the full Board at the June 11 State Board of Education meeting. Peter will send a thank you, on behalf of the Board, to Mr. David Dorr at Somerset Career and Technical Center for all the assistance, support and guidance he gave to Kristin through each step of her survey project.

Handouts at Meeting (copies in file):

- Report on Fire Science/Public Safety Programs
- Rule Chapter 115 Revised Rule Changes – Effective May 14
- LD 1858 Budget Bill: “An Act to Achieve the Savings Required under Part F of the Biennial Budget and To Change Certain Provisions of the Law for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 2015”
- Memorandum of Understanding Between the Maine Community College System and the Maine Department of Education

The next Career and Technical Education Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 9, 2014 at 8:00 AM. The meeting will be held in room 538 of the Cross State Office Building.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 AM.